

TOWN OF WHITMAN SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

PLYMOUTH SS:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Whitman

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Whitman qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Whitman on

MONDAY, THE 31st day of January, 2022 at 7:30 pm then and there to act upon the following articles:

Article 1 Payment of Prior Year Expenditures

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from water-sewer retained earnings the sum of \$352.50 to pay a Professional Engineering Services invoice from Fiscal Year 2021 for which an appropriation does not exist, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator and Town Accountant Finance Committee voted 5-0-2 to recommend

Article 2 Public Safety Ballistic Vests

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash \$60,319 to purchase ballistic vests for members of the police and fire departments, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator, Police Chief, and Fire Chief Finance Committee voted 6-0-1 to recommend Approved by the Capital Committee

Article 3 Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Adjustments

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$3,000 from budget line "Legal Services" to budget line "Zoning Board of Appeals: Salaries," and \$30,000 from budget line "Employee Health & Life Insurance" to budget line "Building Inspector's Office: Salaries" of the June 2, 2021 Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator Finance Committee voted 5-1-1 to recommend

Article 4 Police Collective Bargaining Contract

To see if the Town will vote to approve a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Whitman Police Union, MassCOP Local #494 for the period commencing July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, with the cost items funded through monies appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 5 Land Donation – Little Comfort Circle

To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of land being shown on Assessors map 23D, block 1, lot 46, such property to be under the care, custody, and control of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator Finance Committee does not recommend on a 1-4-2 vote

Article 6 Land Donation – Hogg Memorial Drive

To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of land being shown on Assessors map 22A, block 8, lot 124, such property to be under the care, custody, and control of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator Finance Committee voted does not recommend on a 0-4-3 vote

Article 7 Department of Public Works Building

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1,098,100 to create "shovel-ready" architectural drawings so as to allow for the procurement of a new Department of Public Works building to be located at 100 Essex Street, said amount to be expended at the direction of the Whitman Public Works Building Committee and the Town Administrator. Said funds shall be used in part to hire an Owner's Project Manager for the project, and shall be appropriated as follows: \$713,765 from water-sewer retained earnings, \$234,335 from free cash, and \$150,000 from the capital stabilization fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator Finance Committee voted 5-0-2 to recommend Approved by the Capital Committee

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in not less than eight public places in the Town, fourteen days at least before the day of said meeting. Hereof, fail not, and make due return of the Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting. Given under our hands this 4th day of January, 2022.

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Dr. Carl F. Kowalski, Chair

Daniel L. Salvucci, Vice Chair

Brian J. Bezanson, Clerk

Randy G. Lamattina Jr., Member

Justin R. Evans, Member